

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGES NUMBER 12 AND 25
OVER AHOSKIE CREEK ON U.S. 13/N.C. 42.

TIP Project No. B-5018

Hertford County

The North Carolina Department of Transportation is proposing to replace two bridges over Ahoskie Creek on U.S. 13/N.C. 42 in Hertford County.

NCDOT proposes to replace bridges No. 12 and No. 25 located about one-quarter mile north of Cemetery Road (State Road 1420) between Powellsville and Ahoskie. Both bridges were constructed in 1934 and are reaching the end of their service life.

Bridge No. 12 is deemed structurally deficient and functionally obsolete, while bridge No. 25 is deemed functionally obsolete. A bridge is structurally deficient when it has elements that need to be monitored and/or repaired. It does not mean that the bridge is unsafe, but the bridge must be monitored, inspected and either repaired or replaced at an appropriate time to maintain its structural integrity. A bridge is functionally obsolete when its layout no longer meets current design standards for width, shoulders and rails.

NCDOT will be using a design-build process that allows it to contract a team to design and construct the project at the same time. The use of this design-build team approach means that projects can begin sooner and be completed faster as compared to current practices.

During construction, U.S. 13 will be closed to through traffic. Traffic will be re-routed onto Center Grove Road (S.R. 1235) and Jernigan Swamp Road (S.R. 1238), changing to Lee Jernigan Road (S.R. 1101) in Hertford County. This detour is about seven miles in length. Additional design details will be developed by the design-build team.

Citizens and local towns/counties will be notified of the construction schedule as it will be advertised through the local media.

For more information, contact NCDOT Division 1 Maintenance Engineer Sterling Baker at (252) 482-7977. Citizens may also write, referencing State Transportation Improvement Program project number B-5018, to:

Sterling Baker
NCDOT Division 1 Maintenance Engineer
113 Airport Road
Suite 100
Edenton, NC 27932

*****NCDOT*****